

HB 558 -- BOAT PASSENGERS

SPONSOR: Ross

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Transportation by a vote of 10 to 0. Voted "Do Pass" by the Committee on Rules- Administrative Oversight by a vote of 13 to 0.

This bill exempts vessels propelled by outboard jet motors and vessels not originally manufactured with adequate guards or railing from the provisions prohibiting passengers from riding in certain areas of a boat.

This bill is the same as HB 2230 (2016).

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that the bill is a fair way to account for vessels manufactured in earlier periods.

Testifying for the bill was Representative Ross.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.